

Arlenis Sierra reigns again in the Giro a Toscana

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Arlenis Sierra takes fifth in last stage and wins Giro a la Toscana 2021

Havana, August 29 (RHC)-- Cuban Arlenis Sierra (A.R.Monex) was crowned for the second consecutive time in the Michela Fanino Memorial-Giro of Tuscany, finishing fifth in the second and final stage, which ended Sunday in Montecatini.

Supported by an excellent teamwork, in the last fraction (127.8 km) Arlenis dedicated herself to ride in the peloton, while her Monex teammates - led by Katia Ragusa - controlled all the attacks of the Lithuanian Rasa Leleivyte and the Italians.

"Triumph of the strong and brilliant 28-year-old Cuban Arlenis Canadilla Sierra in the 25th Giro della Toscana. For the athlete it is the second in a row because even two years ago in Pescia it was she who

won the pink jersey", recalled the specialized site tuttobiciweb.it. Her Monex teammate, Italian Ragusa, finished fourth in the stage, won by another local, Giorgia Bariani (Top Girls Fassa Bortolo), escorted by Lithuanian Leleivyte (Aromitalia Basso Buke), second overall.

For Arlenis, winner of the prologue and the first stage, it was her second consecutive victory in the prestigious stage race - UCI category 2.1 -, as she had also won in the previous edition (2019).

More than 140 riders in 24 professional teams competed in the giro.

Second stage (127.8 km, according to tuttobiciweb.it).

1) Giorgia Bariani (Top Girls Fassa Bortolo) 127.8 km, in 3h15'55 ", average 39.139 km.

2) Rasa Leleivyte (Aromitalia Vaiano) MT

3) Karolina Kumiega (Naz. Poland) MT

4) Katia Ragusa (A.R. Monex) MT

5) Arlenis Sierra (A.R. Monex) MT

6) Silvestri MT

7) Christian at 5 sec

8) Malcotti at 7

9) Cesulienė at 15

10) Flaco at 38

FINAL GENERAL CLASSIFICATION:

Arlenis Sierra (A.R. Monex) in 6h12'24.
average 39.749 km

2) Rasa Leleivyte (Team Aromitalia Vaiano) at 17 sec.

3) Debora Silvestri (Top Girls) at 48 sec.

4) Karolina Kimiega (Polish national team) at 1'12

5) Giorgia Buriani (Top Girls Fassa Bortolo) at 1'15

6) Cesulienė at 1'38

7) Novolodskaja at 1'41

8) Realini at 1'44

9) Shapira in 1'53

10) Christian at 1'53

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